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Command, control of Pine Bluff Arsenal transferred to Joint Munitions Command

Operational control of industrial activities at Pine Bluff Arsenal, Ark., has transferred from the U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency to the U.S. Army Joint Munitions Command.

The May 7 transfer aligns the arsenal's missions of ammunition production, chemical/biological defense production and repair, depot storage and surveillance, chemical weapons management, and homeland security with an industrial life cycle management command — ultimately leveraging its industrial and technical capabilities. For the full story, visit .

CMA eliminates chemical weapons production facilities

Demolition milestone reached four months early

The U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency received the official recognition letter from the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, the international agency based in The Hague charged with overseeing chemical weapons destruction worldwide, confirming the demolition of the last declared chemical warfare production facility, a structure at Pine Bluff Arsenal, Ark. For the full story, visit www.cma.army.mil/include/docrendition.asp?DocID=003676816.

SDDC presents Shipper Performance and Quality awards

The Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command, Alexandria, Va., has named the following recipients of its Shipper Performance and Quality Awards:

- Super Large Shipper — Defense Distribution Depot, Susquehanna, Pa. (New Cumberland); Headquarters, Defense Commissary Agency and the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Dan Daniel Distribution Center.
- Large Shipper — Defense Distribution Depot, San Joaquin, Calif., and the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Atlanta Distribution Center.
- Medium Shipper — Defense Distribution Center, New Cumberland; Defense Distribution Depot, Susquehanna, Pa. (Mechanicsburg); the Defense Distribution Depot, Red River, Ark. and the General Services Administration French Camp.
- Small Shipper — Department of the Navy, Gulfport, Miss.; Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Forest Park, Ill.; Defense Contract Management Agency, Seattle; Defense Contract Management Agency, Phoenix; Defense Distribution Depot, Albany, N.Y.; Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Overnight Transportation Company and the Joint Military Postal Activity, Daly City, Calif.

The Shipper Performance Award recognizes DoD activities that have performed in a superior manner by exceeding defense transportation regulation standards in shipping timeliness and accuracy. For more information about SDDC, visit www.sddc.army.mil.

ANAD employees exceed 10 million safe work hours

The Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility, Ala., reached a safety milestone by recording 10 million safe hours of operations without an injury that resulted in days away from work. For the full story, visit www.amc.army.mil/amc/pa/CMAnews.pdf.

Tobyhanna Lean cooperative event increases equipment delivery efficiency

A cooperative Lean event, held by Tobyhanna Army Depot, Pa., Defense Distribution Depot Tobyhanna, American Federation of Government Employees Local 1647 and Tobyhanna Partnership Council, addressed the recurring problem of inaccurate delivery of F-stock equipment and reducing unneeded steps in delivery.

As a result of the event, four to six DDTP trips were eliminated, saving up to 1,107 miles per year of travel, 2,375 square feet of warehouse space was reutilized and personnel safety was improved. For the full story, visit <http://www.tobyhanna.army.mil/about/news/PDFs/05-15-07.pdf>.

Joint precision airdrop takes flight

The U.S. Army Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center, Mass., developed the Joint Precision Airdrop System Mission Planner, a Global Positioning System-guided bundle which determines the best estimate of wind throughout the volume of space with decelerator system performance characteristics to determine an optimum computed aerial release point.

The MP system is now compatible with all JPADS systems and can update the systems with new weather information and/or impact coordinates wirelessly from the cockpit. For the full story, visit www.ssc.army.mil/about/pao/pubs/warrior/index.htm#a4.

Five Fort Monmouth senior leaders honored

Five Fort Monmouth, N.J., senior leaders were honored during the Secretary of the Army's recent annual awards ceremony at the Pentagon for earning the Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service, the highest honorary award for Army civilians.

Raoul Cordeaux, Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command deputy chief of staff for command, control, communications, computers and intelligence; Deborah Devlin, C-E LCMC deputy chief of staff for personnel; Gary Martin, director of the Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center and Edward C. Thomas, acting deputy to the C-E LCMC commanding general for operations and support, received their awards at the ceremony. Gerald O. Stoops, the C-E LCMC associate director for transition planning, was awarded the Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service last April. For the full story, visit www.monmouth.army.mil/monmessg/newmonmsg/mar232007/m12leaders.htm.

Spotlight On ... M-983 120 mm Infrared Illuminating Cartridge production line

The M-983 120 mm Infrared Illuminating Cartridge, produced at Pine Bluff Arsenal, Ark., provides Soldiers necessary illumination over a target area that can only be seen with a night vision device. This capability allows Soldiers to see without being seen — saving lives and providing a distinct advantage over the enemy. To watch a tour of the production line, view the April 25 edition of the AMC News Dispatch at www.amc.army.mil/amc/pa/dispatch/dispatch.html.

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